

**Summary**

The invention relates to a method for accepting and/or authenticating documents, especially banknotes, as well as a device for performing the method.

It is the object of the present invention to further develop a method of this kind for authenticating documents as well as a device such that the degree of safe authentication can be increased.

The invention suggests a method for accepting and/or authenticating documents, especially banknotes, wherein the document is fed to a verification unit by means of an input unit, the document is authenticated and released for further processing, and wherein the authentication process is performed with a combination of at least two different verification processes.

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